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Mr. Brian V. Kinney
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Dear Mr. Kinney:

Mr. H.D. Neeley's memorandum of 09 August 1984 forwarded to us four documents with the request that we review their classification status. We have reviewed the documents with the following results:

Document no. 1 is a Department of State biographic report, dated June 1959, classified SECRET/NOFORN. CIA has no objection to the declassification of this document.

Document no. 2 is a covering memorandum, dated 17 November 1959, classified SECRET, prepared in the Office of the Deputy Secretary of Defense; it explains why an unidentified report, which is not attached, was not sent in to Mr. Gates. CIA has no objection to the declassification of this document. However, this review action applies only to the memorandum and does not apply to the cited attachment which was not submitted for our review.

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Document no. 3 is a Department of Defense memorandum for Colonel Lansdale, dated 10 November 1959, classified SECRET. It comments on a CIA information report [redacted] which was not attached. This memorandum contains information of interest to CIA which must remain classified at SECRET under Section 1.3(a)(4) of Executive Order 12356.

Document no. 4 is a draft of an address by Thomas S. Gates at the National War College on 20 October 1959, classified SECRET. It contains information of interest to CIA that must remain classified but may be downgraded to CONFIDENTIAL under Section 1.3(a)(4) of Executive Order 12356.

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The documents are returned to you herewith as requested. We have added our classification review stamp showing our action.

Sincerely,

[Redacted Signature Box]
Chief, Classification Review Division
Office of Information Services
Directorate of Administration

Enclosures

DDA/OIS/CRD, [Redacted]

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